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LISTING OF CLAIMS: No amendments made herein.

1 (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A managing apparatus for managing a document including transaction slip data used in electronic commerce with a database device, comprising:

a data extracting unit extracting structure data as a search item of the document including transaction slip data therefrom;

a storing unit storing the structure data extracted by said data extracting unit as management data that is correlated with the transaction slip data;

a transaction slip data extracting unit searching the management data so as to extract the transaction slip data that is correlated with management data;

a transmitting unit transmitting the transaction slip data extracted by said transaction slip data extracting unit;

a receiving unit receiving the transmitted transaction slip data; and

a converting unit converting a first format of the received transaction slip data into a second format based on a transmission destination,

wherein the first format of the received transaction slip data is useable by an order issuer and the second format based on a transmission destination is useable by an order acceptor in an electronic business transaction between the order issuer and the order acceptor without requiring a tailoring of servers of the order issuer and the order acceptor.

- (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The managing apparatus as set forth in claim 1, wherein the correlation between the management data and the transaction slip data is managed with a document identifier (S15) that is common therebetween.
 - 3. (CANCELLED)
- 4. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The managing apparatus as set forth in claim 1, wherein the designation of a search item as the management data is changeable by a user.
- 5. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The managing apparatus as set forth in claim 4, wherein the document including transaction slip data is an XML document, and wherein a search item is changed by changing the designation of an extraction of an item corresponding to a tag of the XML document.
 - (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A computer-readable medium storing a program

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that causes a computer as an information apparatus to manage transaction slip data used in electronic commerce, by:

extracting structure data as a search item of a transaction slip data document therefrom; storing the structure data extracted as management data in correlation with the transaction slip data;

searching the management data so as to extract the correlated transaction slip data; transmitting the transaction slip data extracted;

receiving the transmitted transaction slip data; and

converting a first format of the received transaction slip data into a second format based on a transmission destination, wherein the first format of the received transaction slip data is useable by an order issuer and the second format based on a transmission destination is useable by an order acceptor in an electronic business transaction between the order issuer and the order acceptor without requiring a tailoring of servers of the order issuer and the order acceptor.

7. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A method of managing transaction slip data used in electronic commerce, comprising:

extracting structure data as a search item of a document including transaction slip data therefrom:

storing the extracted structure data in a memory as management data that is correlated with the transaction slip data;

searching the stored management data so as to extract transaction slip data that is correlated with management data; and

transmitting the extracted transaction slip data over a network;

receiving the transmitted transaction slip data; and

converting a first format of the received transaction slip data into a second format based on a transmission destination, wherein the first format of the received transaction slip data is usable by an order issuer and the second format based on a transmission destination is useable by an order acceptor in electronic business without a tailoring of servers of the order issuer and the order acceptor.

8. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method according to claim 7, further comprising changing the structure data of a document to be considered including the management data.

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- 9. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method according to claim 7, wherein the transaction slip data is included in an XML document.
- 10. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method according to claim 9, wherein a target of a search is changed by changing the extracting regarding a tag of the XML document.
- 11. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A computer-readable medium storing a program to perform managing transaction slip data used in electronic commerce, by:

extracting structure data as a search item of a document including transaction slip data; storing the extracted structure data as management data that is correlated with the transaction slip data;

searching the management data so as to extract the transaction slip data that is correlated with management data; and

transmitting the extracted transaction slip data;

receiving the transmitted transaction slip data; and

converting a first format of the received transaction slip data into a second format based on a transmission destination, wherein the first format of the received transaction slip data is used by an order issuer and the second format is based on a transmission destination that is useable by an order acceptor in electronic business without a tailoring of servers of the order issuer and the order acceptor.

- 12. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The computer-readable medium according to claim 11, further comprising changing the structure data of a document to be considered including management data.
- 13. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The computer-readable medium according to claim 11, wherein the document including transaction slip data is an XML document.
- 14. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The computer-readable medium according to claim 13, wherein a target of a search is changed by changing the extracting regarding a tag of the XML document.
 - 15. (WITHDRAWN) A method of managing transaction slip data used in electronic

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commerce, comprising:

extracting data as a search item of a document including transaction slip data therefrom by an order issuer;

storing the extracted data as management data that is correlated with the transaction slip data;

searching the stored management data so as to extract transaction slip data that is correlated with management data; and

transmitting the extracted transaction slip data over a network; and converting the format of received transaction slip data into a format based on a format used by an order acceptor; and

transmitting the converted transaction slip data to the order acceptor over the network.